

Appl. No. 09/489,667
Reply to Office action of July 9, 2004

Remarks

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Claims 69-80 are pending.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claims 69-76 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as allegedly being indefinite.

Applicant does not concede with the rejections or the remarks made in the Office Action. However, to advance the prosecution of the above-identified application, claims 69, 70, 74, and 75 have been amended substantially as suggested by the Examiner.

In view of the above, applicant submits that the claims satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, and respectfully requests that the rejection of the present claims based on this statutory provision be withdrawn.

Allowed Claims

Claims 77-80 are indicated as being allowable. In view of the amendments to the claims set forth herein, applicant submits that all of the present claims, that is claims 69-80, are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion


In conclusion, applicant has shown that the present claims satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112. Therefore,

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applicant submits that the present claims, that is claims 69-80 are allowable. Therefore, applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to pass the above-identified application to issuance at an early date. Should any matters remain unresolved, the Examiner is requested to call (collect) applicant's attorney at the telephone number given below.

Date: OCTOBER 8, 2004

Respectfully submitted,


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